



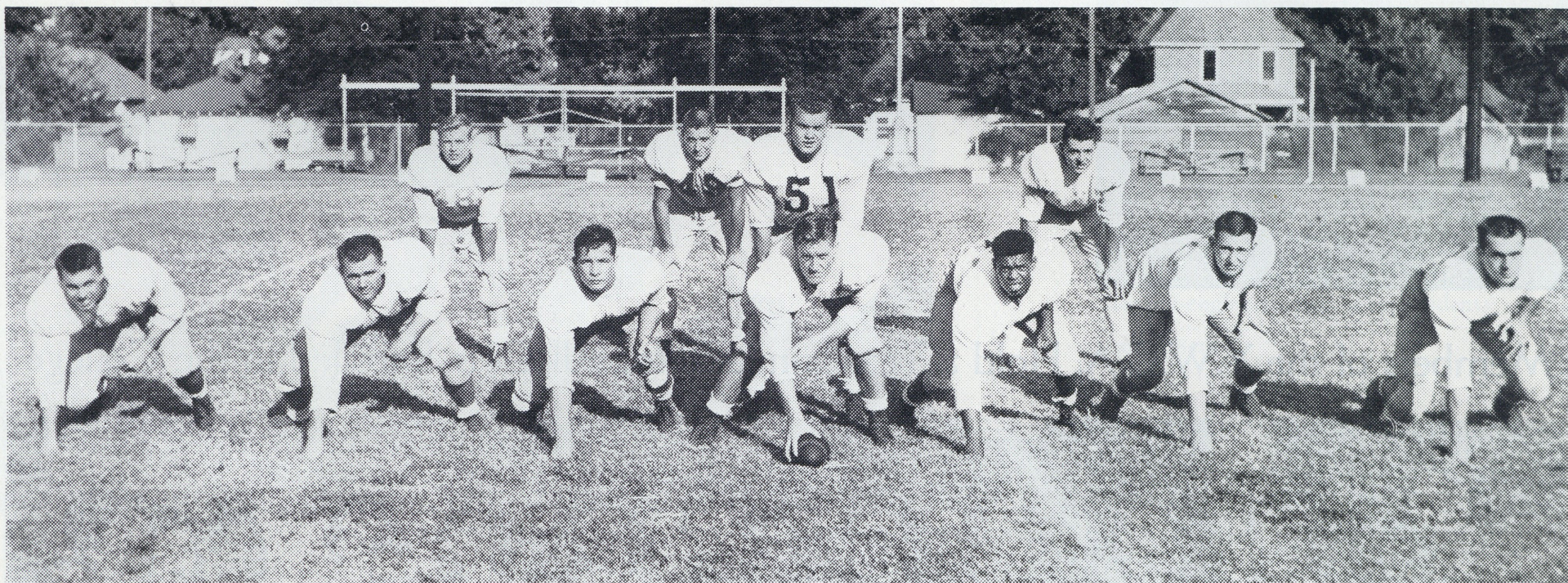
Jo Juco, Lion Mascot, Ponders Over Events of 1956

Two weeks before the doors officially open the football squad begins practice to lead our Alma Mater to victories.



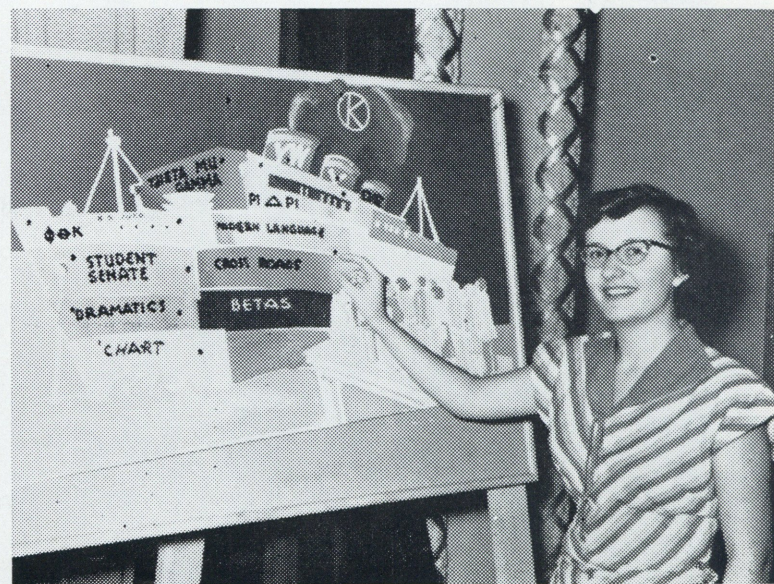
From his lair in the Main Hall, Jo Juco, symbolizing the spirit of Joplin Junior College, watches the beginning of the eighteenth term.

Starting Eleven Spearheads Win Over Oklahoma Military Academy in First Game



During late summer heat, the Dean briefs student helpers on registration procedures.

The S.S. Juco familiarizes new students with organizations of the College.





Politics and Glamour

Penetrate the Campus



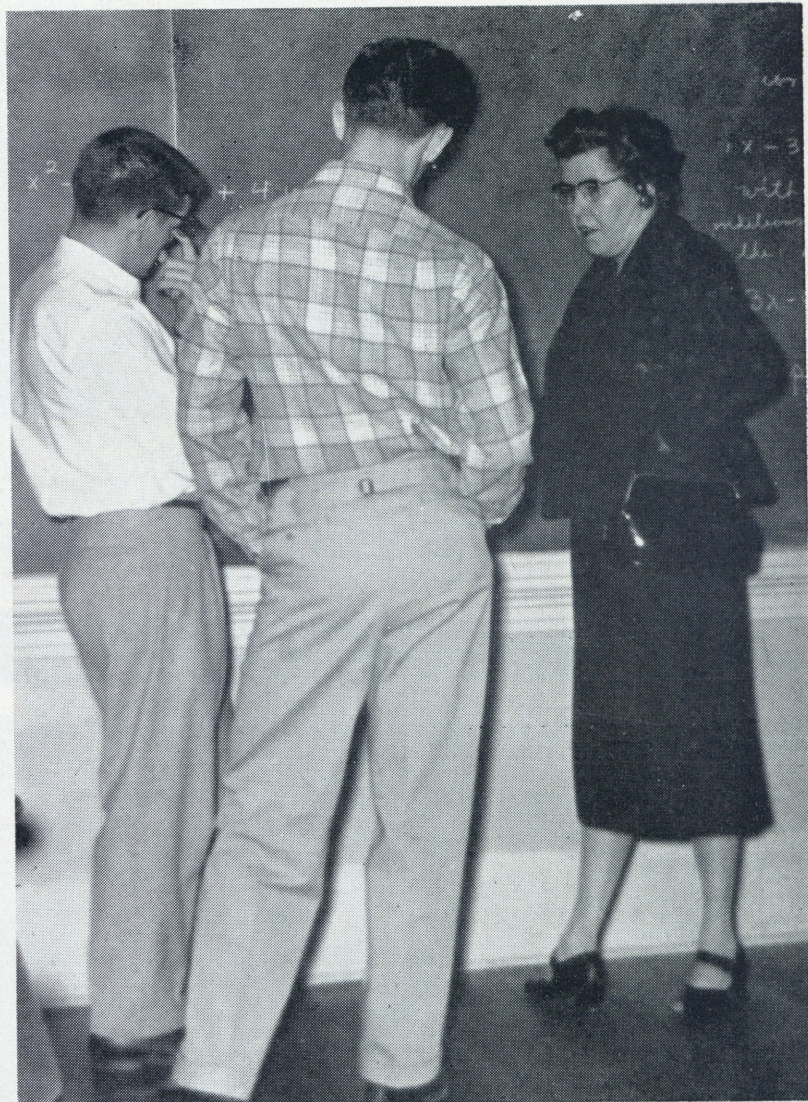
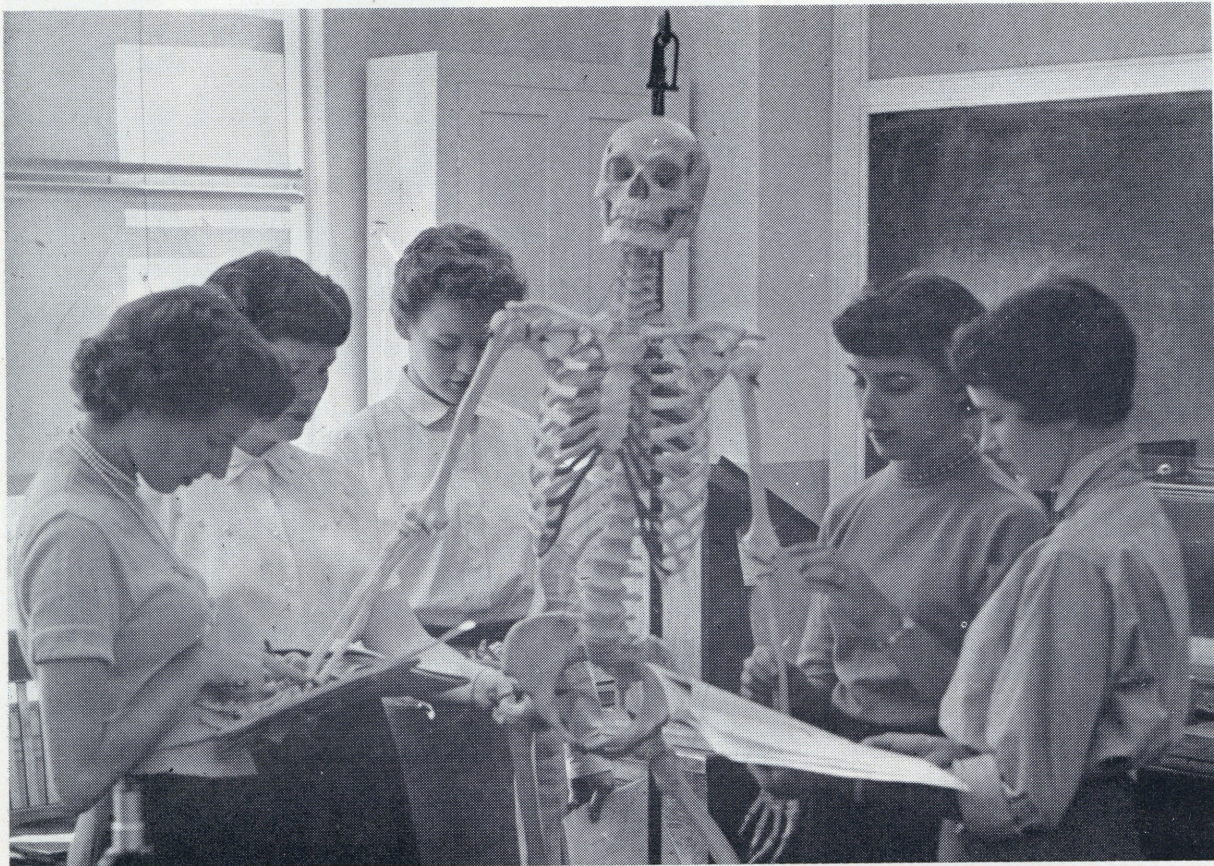
Posters extol the slate of nominees aspiring to become student body officers. After vigorous campaigning by candidates, and voting by the student body, Dr. Maurice L. Litton congratulates Ron Richardson, Student Body President.



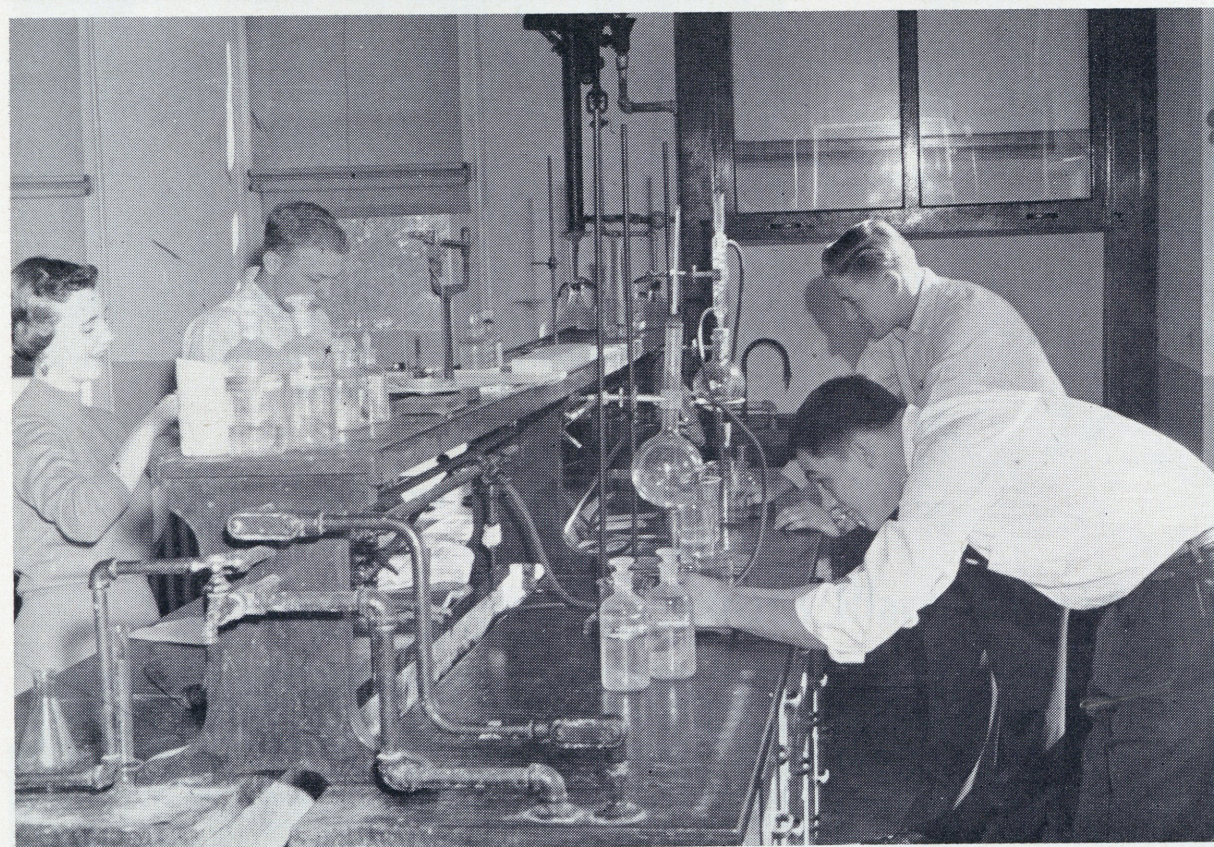
Members of the Y.W.C.A. Hold a Tea Annually for All Girls Enrolled in the College



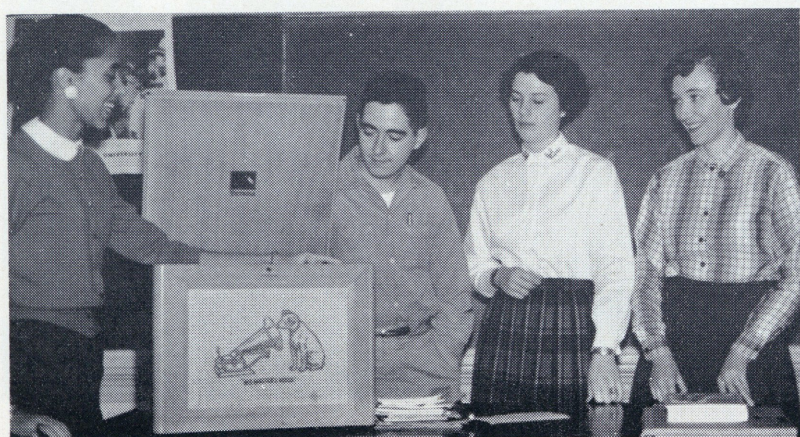
Classroom Activities Prove Interesting, Educational, and Cultural



Student nurses study the anatomy of "Duchess," the Juco family skeleton; Miss McCormick coaches her pre-engineers; and chem students experiments.



Language groups listen to French, German, and Spanish records; and ensembles add a musical note.





Dramatics

The Production and Rehearsal class presents well-known plays. Shown above is a scene from Tennessee Williams' play "The Glass Menagerie."

The major theatrical performance for the second semester is George Bernard Shaw's comedy "Fanny's First Play."



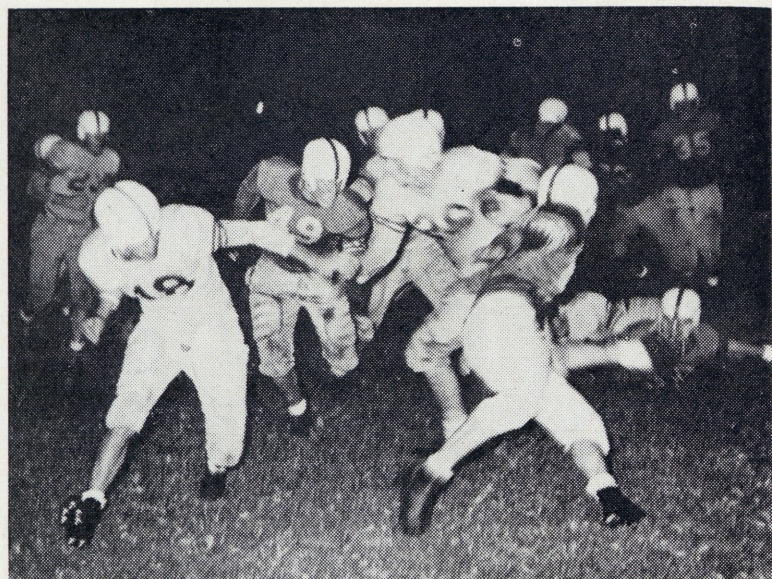
Queens Add A Royal Touch

After a parade in downtown Joplin, the Homecoming Queen, Madalyn Gustafson, is crowned preceding the big game.

Jane Medcalf reigns at the annual Crossroads dance.

Men on the Campus Make Themselves Known

Whether it is helping with community service, scrimmaging at football practice, participating in intramural sports with the faculty men or becoming Interstate Conference Champs, the men prove to be good sports.



The 1956 Lions set an outstanding record and three members of the squad were voted to the All-Conference basketball team.



Interstate Conference Champs Place Second in Bolívar Regional



Squad Roster

- Ron Alberty
- Bill Haynes
- Jim Wyatt
- Mel Haynes
- Neil Goade
- Frank Anderson
- Jack Armstrong
- George Jackson
- Tom Bonebrake
- Ralph Brock
- Alan Hoover
- Jim Mailes
- Ass't. Coach Dudley Stegge
- Coach Buddy Ball

Faculty and Student Trips Contribute to College Life



Dean Maurice L. Litton, third from right, appears on a program of the American Association of Junior Colleges in New York City.

Chart Editors and Photographer attend annual Journalism Workshop at the University of Missouri.

Letter Praising Choir Follows Iowa Trip

Dear Dean Litton:

You would have been very proud of the Joplin Junior College Choir if you could have heard their performance in Des Moines last week. Mr. Oliver Sovereign did a beautiful job as director and I was very delighted with this Missouri organization. They made a tremendous hit and they gave one of the finest performances of the whole convention.

I want to express my appreciation and the appreciation of the West Central Division Executive Committee of M.T.N.A. for helping to make it possible to hear this wonderful youth organization. Joplin should be very proud of their choir. Everyone enjoyed Mr. Merrill Ellis' compositions.

Cordially yours,

(Signed)

Franklin B. Launer, president
West Central Division
Music Teachers National Association





Richard Huggins receives the Outstanding Freshman Chemistry award.

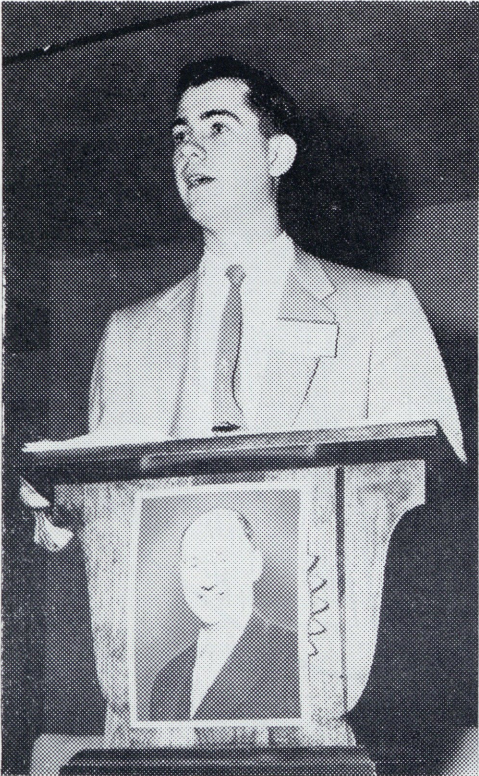
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Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, above, initiates 21 new members; Pi Alpha Pi, honorary business fraternity, below, enjoys a tea after initiation.



Jerry Cooper is elected Chairman of the Mock National Democratic Convention at Pittsburg.



Student nurses receive their caps at a ceremony in the College auditorium.

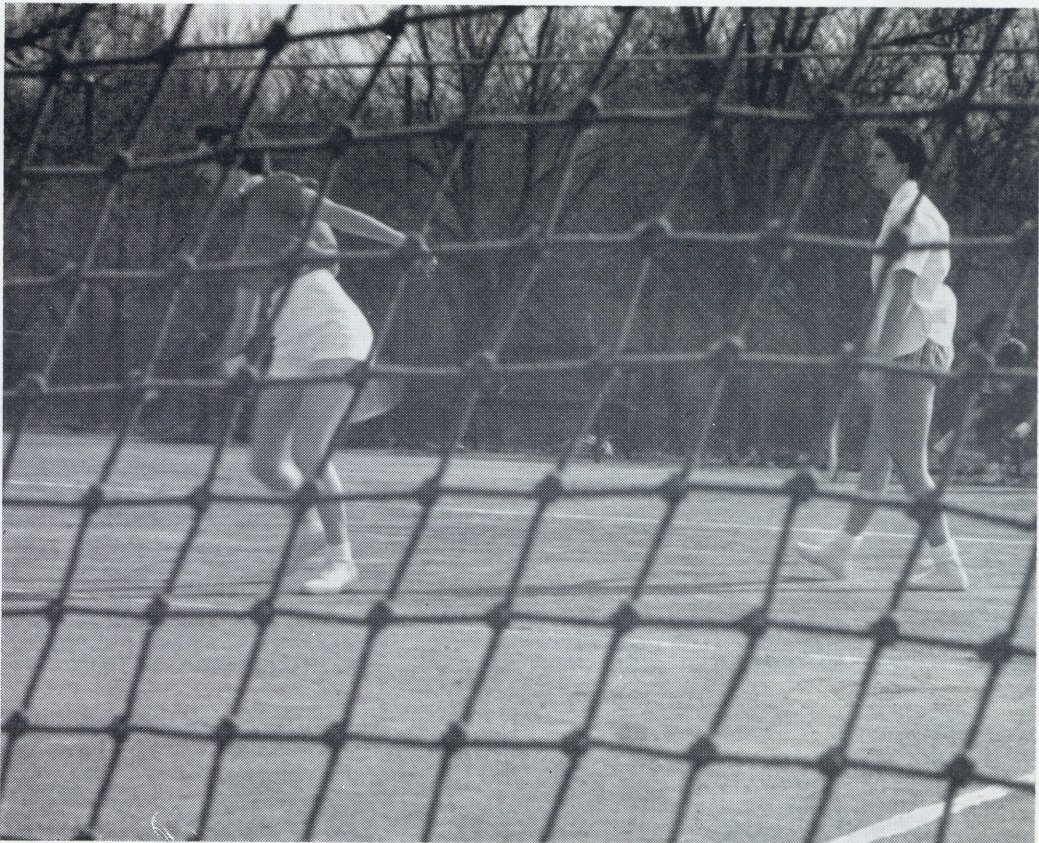


Mary Ann Tutt's poem appears in the National College Anthology of Poetry.





There Are No Dull 'Jo's' At J.J.C.



Since faculty follies, kitchen clean-ups, tennis classes, and seasonal festivities keep campus life colorful, Jo Juco looks forward to another school year.

